

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2005.

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 26 public bills, H.R. 2957–2982; 2 private bills, H.R. 2983–2984; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 181; and H. Res. 328–329 were introduced. **Pages H4721–22**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H4722–23**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Bonner to act as speaker pro tempore. **Page H4657**

**Henry J. Hyde United Nations Reform Act of 2005:** The House passed H.R. 2745, to reform the United Nations, by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 184 noes, Roll No. 282. The bill was also considered yesterday, June 16. **Pages H4658–H4706**

Adopted the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on International Relations, now printed in the bill. **Page H4705**

Accepted:

Barton amendment (No. 2 printed in subpart E of part 1 of H. Rept. 109–132) that directs the Independent Oversight Board to review the Final Report of the Independent Inquiry Committee into the U.N. Oil-for-Food Program; **Pages H4667–69**

Wilson amendment (No. 2 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that adds the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories to the list of entities which the Department of State is directed to review and report on in order to avoid duplicative efforts and funding; **Pages H4672–74**

King of Iowa amendment (No. 3 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that prohibits the Secretary of State from making contributions to the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East in an amount greater than the highest contribution to U.N.RWA made by an Arab country; **Pages H4674–75**

McCotter amendment (No. 4 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that calls on U.S. Permanent Representatives to ensure full implementation of U.N. Security Council Resolution 1559; **Page H4675**

Ros-Lehtinen amendment (No. 6 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that calls for the establishment of a democracy fund to assist countries that respect and uphold human rights (agreed to extend the time for debate); **Pages H4675–78**

Garrett amendment (No. 7 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that discourages the State Department from increasing the size of the U.N. Security Council if such an increase would diminish the U.S.'s influence on the Council; **Page H4678**

Garrett amendment (No. 8 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that directs the U.S. Permanent Representative to the U.N. to make every effort to enforce zero nominal growth in all assessed dues to the regular budget of the U.N.; **Page H4679**

Pearce amendment (No. 11 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that prohibits an employee from any U.N. entity, bureau, division, department, or specialized agency from having unauthorized contact, including business contact, with a Member State that is subject to U.N. sanctions; **Pages H4682–83**

Royce amendment (No. 1 printed in subpart D of part 1 of H. Rept. 109–132) that adds an additional

paragraph to the list of reforms in section 201(b) regarding human rights reforms (by a recorded vote of 373 ayes to 32 noes, Roll No. 274);

**Pages H4661–62, H4697–98**

Fortenberry amendment (No. 2 printed in subpart D of part 1 of H. Rept. 109–132) that directs the U.S. Permanent Representative to the U.N. to use the voice, vote, and influence of the U.S. to make every effort to ensure the adoption and implementation of mechanisms regarding Member States engaged or complicit in acts of genocide, war crimes, or crimes against humanity (by a recorded vote of 375 ayes to 29 noes, Roll No. 275);

**Pages H4662–65, H4698–99**

Flake amendment (No. 1 printed in subpart E of part 1 of H. Rept. 109–132) that creates a certification of U.N. cooperation that requires the U.N. to release documents that concern the Oil-for-Food Program; and to waive the immunity of U.N. officials from the judicial process in the U.S. for civil or criminal acts that transpired in the U.S. and in connection with the Oil-for-Food Program (by a recorded vote of 366 ayes to 38 noes, Roll No. 276);

**Pages H4665–67, H4699**

Chabot amendment (No. 1 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that directs the U.S. ambassador to the U.N. to oppose anti-Semitic statements and anti-Israel resolutions in the U.N. (by a recorded vote of 405 ayes to 2 noes, Roll No. 277); and

**Pages H4669–71, H4699–H4700**

Pence amendment (No. 5 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that requires that there be no more than five times difference in the levels of assessment among the permanent members of the U.N. Security Council (agreed that the amendment be considered out of the order specified in the rule) (by a recorded vote of 281 ayes to 126 noes, Roll No. 278).

**Pages H4671–72, H4700–01**

Rejected:

Kucinich amendment (No. 10 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that sought to add “strengthening of international labor laws” as another U.N. reform;

**Pages H4681–82**

Gohmert amendment (No. 9 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that sought to prohibit U.S. assistance to a country that opposed the position of the U.S. in the U.N. (by a recorded vote of 108 ayes to 297 noes, Roll No. 279);

**Pages H4679–81, H4701**

Stearns amendment (No. 12 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that sought to change the amount of regular U.S. dues withheld from 50% to 75% (by a recorded vote of 100 ayes to 306 noes, Roll No. 280); and

**Pages H4683–84, H4701–02**

Lantos amendment in the nature of a substitute (No. 13 printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 109–132) that sought to make a number of changes to the bill (by

a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 281).

**Pages H4684–97, H4702–03**

H. Res. 319, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to yesterday, June 16.

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 20 for Morning Hour debate.

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**Private Calendar:** Agreed to dispense with the call of the Private Calendar on Tuesday, June 21.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 22.

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**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified the Congress of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the large accumulation of a large volume of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–35).

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4698, H4698–99, H4699, H4700, H4700–01, H4701, H4702, H4702–03, H4705. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 20 through June 25, 2005

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 6, Energy Policy Act. Also, at 5 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the U.S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations, and at 6 p.m., Senate will consider and agree to the motion to proceed to the motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination was not agreed to, agree to the motion to reconsider, and then proceed to the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 6, Energy Policy Act. During the balance of